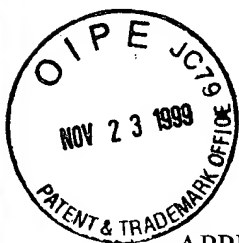


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Attorney Docket No. 19644-010 (Tufts-10)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT : Bachovchin
EXAMINER : Not yet assigned
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FOR: MULTIVALENT COMPOUNDS FOR CROSSLINKING
RECEPTORS AND USES THEREOF

November 23, 1999
Boston, Massachusetts

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a 4-month extension of time to respond to the May 27, 1999 Notice to File Missing Parts in the above-identified application. With the extension, this Response is due on or before November 27, 1999. A check in the amount of \$1360.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(4), is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (19644-010; Tufts-10). A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David E. Johnson", written over a horizontal line.

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